

Advertisements.

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THE Company's Steamship

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Captain Hodgins, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 9th instant, at daylight.

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DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 7th August, 1895. [1059]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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THE Company's Steamship

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Hongkong, 7th August, 1895. [1057]

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Agents.

Hongkong, 7th August, 1895. [1058]

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

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FROM GLASGOW, MANCHESTER, LIVERPOOL, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

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Having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk, into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 13th instant; or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 12th instant, at 3 o'clock P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 13th instant will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon TO-DAY.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 7th August, 1895. [1058]

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Hongkong, 14th October, 1895.

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Hongkong, 3rd May, 1895. [107]

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A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
Hongkong, 1st June, 1895. [107]

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While the columns of the Hongkong Telegraph will always be open for the free discussion of all questions affecting the public interest, it must be distinctly understood that the Editor does not in any way hold himself responsible for opinions thus expressed.

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SUBSCRIBERS TO "THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" ARE MOST RESPECTFULLY REMINDED THAT ALL SUBSCRIPTIONS MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE.

MARRIAGE.

On the 1st July, at St. Peter's Cathedral, Adelaide, South Australia, by the Rev. W. S. Miles, JOHN FREDERICK WATSON, of Penang, Straits Settlements, second son of John Watson, of Clarendon, Devon, J.P., to MARION CECILIA, only daughter of the late A. J. Johnston, of Shanghai.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7, 1895.

THE KUCHENG ATROCITIES.

AN INDIGNATION MEETING.

Thanks to the energy and public spirit of Dr. CARTLIE, to whom Hongkong is so largely indebted in many ways, and of his partners, DR. HARTIGAN and STEDMAN, we are to have a public meeting. One has been summoned to meet to-morrow at noon in the City Hall, to give expression to our sorrow for and sympathy with the immediate sufferers in the horrible tragedy at Kucheng, and our indignation at the brutality of their Chinese murderers, at the apathy and helplessness of the Chinese Government and its officials, and at the criminally feeble policy of the British Government and of its representatives which has rendered it possible for the Chinese official and literary classes to believe that they can work their own sweet will upon helpless European women and children in their midst without any danger to themselves, their families or their possessions, or to their country.

Mr. CHARTER tried yesterday to organize a meeting but without success. The Chamber of Commerce, by its Committee, would not move in the matter and yet, successful and unavenged attacks on missionaries will soon be followed by attacks on merchants and on mercantile property. Traders are no more beloved in China than are missionaries. Foochow is strongly inclined to follow the example of Kucheng, Canton, ever ready, ever turbulent, choicest of pride at its escape from any French or Japanese invasion, may easily and

quickly follow suit if there is the least display of weakness or timidity. The China Association, by its Chairman Mr. T. JACKSON, refused to take the initiative, although the protection of all British interests in the East is well within its sphere, and, although the Branch in Shanghai had set a bright example! The Head of the "Princely House," although appealed to, refused to concur in calling a public meeting, so Mr. CHARTER had to sit down, *infecta*. Thank God, there is somebody left in the colony with a little independence and a little English feeling of what is right and proper to do under the circumstances. The Chief Justice, Sir FIELDING CLARKE, will, it is hoped, signalise his return to the Colony by presiding at to-morrow's meeting, and we are requested by Dr. CARTLIE to state that the meeting is open to all, to ladies as well as to gentlemen, and to express his hope that as the principal sufferers in the recent calamity have been of the weaker sex, very many ladies—all the ladies in the Colony—will be present at the meeting to evince their heartfelt sympathy with the victims of the foul outrage and with their families and friends, and to lend the energy of their indignation and disgust to strengthen and animate the speeches and the votes of their husbands, brothers and friends. We hope, too, but do not expect to find there, very many Chinese merchants, traders and compradores who have lived among us for many years, who have made their money in the Colony and who own valuable property under the protection of the British flag. For very many of them their official friends claim the status and rights of British subjects because they have been born here. We trust they will show themselves to-morrow to be deserving of the title and that they will hasten publicly to disavow by their presence and votes at the meeting all sympathy with the murderers at Kucheng, and all fellow-feeling with the manifest desire of a large section of the population of China to get rid of all Europeans and Americans, merchants, missionaries and Consuls alike. Of course our Parsee and Indian friends will be present; they are always thoroughly British.

(Special to Hongkong Telegraph.)

(Greatly Delayed in Transmission.)

TELEGRAM.

**SERIOUS CRISIS AT
FOOCHOW.**

THE OFFICIALS POWERLESS.

FOREIGNERS WARNED TO LOOK
OUT FOR THEMSELVES.

OUTBREAK OF REBELLION
IN FUKHLEN.

ANOTHER DASTARDLY OUTRAGE.

OTHER MISSIONARIES IN GRAVE
DANGER.

MINISTER O'CONNOR'S MOVE.

THE "SON OF HEAVEN" ISSUES
A DECREE.

SHANGHAI, August 6th,
5.10 P.M.

All the Europeans resident at Foochow now find themselves in a very critical position owing to the hostile feeling openly evinced by the natives, who have suddenly become grossly offensive and overbearing in their attitude towards foreigners.

The native officials have reported to the various foreign Consuls stationed at Foochow that should any outbreak occur they feel certain that they will be quite unable to cope with the mob, for the reason that not only the district of Kucheng (where the recent massacre of British Missionaries took place) but the whole province of Fukhien is in a state of rebellion against the government. They state their willingness to preserve order, but aver that they can do absolutely nothing to put down a general anti-foreign rising of the masses.

The American mission at Fungfuk has been burnt and the occupants escaped massacre only through avacuating their homes shortly before the "Crusaders" delivered the attack.

The whole of the European and American residents of Foochow have appealed to their respective High Authorities in the Far East for protection and have asserted in their telegrams that gunboats should be at once sent right up to Foochow, anchor off the Settlement, and clear for action.

The extremely critical position of many missionaries now resident at various inland cities causes great anxiety to the foreign residents of Foochow, and it is generally conceded that drastic measures must at once be adopted by the various foreign Governments concerned to put a stop to further dastardly outrages upon foreigners.

Sir Nicholas O'Connor has telegraphed to the Chairman of the Shanghai branch of the China Association, in reply to his communication respecting the resolution carried at the Indignation meeting last night, that he has directed Mr. Mansfield, British Consul at Foochow, to proceed immediately, under military escort, to Kucheng; there hold an enquiry into the massacres, and then promptly wire his report to Peking.

The Emperor of China is very angry about the Kucheng massacres, and has issued a decree ordering immediate capital punishment for all persons found guilty.

THE MASSACRE OF MISSIONARIES AT KUCHENG.

PUBLIC INDIGNATION MEETING.

TO-MORROW! TO-MORROW!

The following was issued as an *Express* this afternoon:—

"A Public Meeting will be held in the City Hall at noon to-morrow, Thursday, August 8th, to allow the community of Hongkong an opportunity of expressing its sorrow and indignation at the massacre of British subjects at Kucheng."

WILLIAM HARTIGAN,
F. O. STEDMAN,
JAMES CANTLIE,
Committee.

This meeting should prove one of the largest ever held in the colony, for it may be taken for granted that all right-thinking men and women will avail themselves of the opportunity to show by their presence their sorrow and indignation at the perpetration of one of the most fiendish and wholly unjustifiable massacres of Europeans ever recorded in the history of any nation.

It is probable that Sir Fielding Clarke will take the chair and that the speakers will include Mr. T. JACKSON, the Hon. A. McCONNACHIE, Dr. JAS. CANTLIE, the Right Rev. Bishop BURTON and Mr. J. J. FRANCIS, Q.C.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

NEW RUSSIAN MINISTER FOR KOREA.

LONDON, August 4th.

M. Speler, the Russian Minister at Teheran, has been appointed to Korea.

MORE ASSASSINATIONS IN BULGARIA.

M. Matakoff, a friend of the late M. Stambouloff, has been fatally wounded by assassins.

THE ARMENIAN QUESTION.

The Porte's reply to the Powers regarding the Armenian difficulty is unsatisfactory. The Bulgarian Mission on its return to Sofia from St. Petersburg received a great ovation and it is stated that the instructions have been issued to demand the release of the unconvicted Armenian prisoners. Great Britain conjointly with the other signatories to the Berlin Treaty has informed the Porte that a European Commission will be appointed immediately to administer the province on behalf of the Sultan.

THE MASSACRE OF MISSIONARIES.

FOOCHOW, August 6th, 1895.

The survivors of the Massacre who have been interviewed state that it was a premeditated and diabolical plot to get rid of the Missionaries, and that no provocation was given. The victims were asleep when attacked.

The corpses and charred remains of the victims were buried at midnight yesterday.

Rumours are current of further riots near Foochow.

An indignation meeting will be held at the Club to-night.

THE MISSIONARY MASSACRE.

LONDON, August 5th.

The massacre of Missionaries at Kucheng of British subjects has aroused the deepest horror and anger in England.

EUROPEAN POLITICS.

The German Chancellor and the Austrian Minister of Foreign Affairs have had an interview at which they discussed the foreign situation, especially that of Bulgaria.

THE ANNUAL VISIT OF THE EMPEROR OF GERMANY TO ENGLAND.

The Emperor of Germany has arrived at Cowes.

(Special to *Star Observer*.)

THE TERMS OF THE FRANCO-CHINESE CONVENTION.

LONDON, July 25th.

The new convention between France and China permits the construction of railways and telegraphs, and opens to French commerce several Southern ports, at which French Consuls will be located. The rights of mining in the three Southern Provinces are conceded, and the French will be free to navigate the Mekong and the Loko rivers.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The R. E. "Variety Club" will repeat Saturday's entertainment to-night, commencing at 8.15.

A full report of the proceedings at the Beilish School prize distribution will be published in our next issue.

The Band of the Hongkong Regiment will play at the Public Gardens this evening, commencing at 8 o'clock.

The Directors of the Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Company have decided to pay an interim dividend to shareholders of eight per cent.

ACCORDING to advices from Tientsin the official deputed by the mandarins to mark out the new German Concession at that port is Wu Ting-fang, alias Ng Chey.

SINCE the ratification of peace no less than 60,000 stand of modern weapons of precision, 120 quick-firing field guns, and their usual complement of ammunition have arrived at Tientsin from Europe.

A GENERAL meeting of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club was held at 6 o'clock this evening at the Hongkong Club, when the accounts for last season were passed and the arrangements for next season's racing discussed.

H.M.S. *Rahlow* arrived here from Anping (Formosa) this morning flying the "Yellow Jack" and immediately proceeded to the quarantine ground. We understand there are a few mild cases of cholera on board this speedy cruiser.

It is reported that when a German concession is started at Tientsin a German Company will send fifteen steamships a month to that port.

At the Magistracy to-day a Chinaman was fined \$50 for having in his possession 12 revolvers and 1,200 rounds of ammunition without the requisite licence.

The Secretary of the Panjeng Mining Co. informs us that he has received a "wire" from the mine stating the mill ran 30 days last month, crushing 600 tons, yielding 375 ounces of gold.

It is probable that Count Inouye, at present Japanese Minister at the Court of the King of Korea, will shortly be appointed Minister for Foreign Affairs, *vis* Viscount Matsui, who is about to resign owing to ill-health.

From the *Chapoo Express* of the 29th ult. we learn that there had been 30 cases of genuine Asiatic cholera on the *Zabinka*, and 20 on the *Bohr*. Of these only four died. The gunboats had gone over to the islands to transfer their crews to masted and disinfected ships.

The Kowloon Detachment of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps, held their eighth monthly competition, for the Cup presented by Mr. John Wallace, on Saturday afternoon. The Cup was won by G. Harman with a score of 64 to which 21 points were added. Total, 85.

From enquiries made at the Douglas Company's office this forenoon we are in a position to state that there is not a shadow of truth in the rumour current in shipping circles this morning that the popular Douglas liner *Thales*, which left here for coast ports a few days ago, has come grief. She is due here from Formosa to-morrow.

"SCREW BRITANNIA!"—The monetary relations of the British Government with Hongkong and the Straits Settlements constitute, says the *Allahabad Pioneer*, a very instructive study for all members of the great family of nations, colonies and dependencies that make up the British Empire. "Screw Britannia, Britannia screws her slaves" all over the world. The national song might well be recast to suit the latest characteristics of our beloved country, says the *Straits Free Press*, and "so say all of us."

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Netherole Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

Mr. Chan A. Fook.....\$ 20

Mr. Hu Choo.....\$ 20

THE *P. & T. Times* denies that the Foreign Ministers have obtained anything more, *de re* the Szzechuan outrages, than the Tientsin Yamen was prepared to grant before any Foreign Minister made any representation at all on the subject. It says:—

"All that is to be done is just what the Chinese officials had decided on previous to the action of any foreign official. Can this easy-going policy of treating the business as fairly described by saying that they have been the very first done all that the will of man compasses? Where is the Imperial Edict which should have expressed the Emperor's judgment on the case, and have denounced once for all, in the most emphatic language, such lawless deeds and such outrageous accusations?"

THUS the *Kobe Chronicle*—As we have previously commented on the position of the Straits Insurance Co., a correspondent writes to us pointing out that the Company will in all probability pay 12 per cent. per annum at the next general meeting—that is, in March 1896—and that this probability should be taken into account by investors. He refers us to Article 127 of the Memorandum of Association, which reads: "The rate of interest shall be 10 per cent. per annum until the general Reserve Fund, to be formed as herein provided, shall amount to \$25,000, and thereafter shall be 12 per cent. on the increased rate of 12 per cent. per annum." On the 31st of last December the reserve fund stood at \$16,000, so it is not too much to expect that a further \$10,000 will be added thereto at the meeting in March 1896, bringing the fund up to \$26,000. Shares were selling in Hongkong on the 18th July at \$10, being a discount of 5 per cent. on the par value of \$10, yet the Company's assets on the 31st December, exclusive of capital paid up, were \$26,404, and the Company's net premiums for 1894 amounted to \$2,000,000. It therefore appears, says the *Kobe paper*, clear that the shares of this Company at present stand below their true value.

WHILE regretting that Messrs. Cornes & Co. should have found themselves compelled to enter into a compromise with Mr. Kimmis Riverman in the matter of the rare dispute, the *Kobe Chronicle* says it certainly cannot hold with some of its contemporaries that they are to blame for what has been called the precipitancy of the surrender. The representatives of Messrs. Cornes & Co. had the interests of their firm to consider in the first place, and was fully aware that every day's delay might eventually result in the ruin of the firm's business, while it was very doubtful if any interference by the Government would have prevented serious loss. Foreign merchants in general cannot complain of the result. Had they desired Messrs. Cornes & Co. to await the action of the Government, they should have proposed a scheme by which combination should have been opposed by combination. Foreign merchants dealing in yarn might have arrived at some common understanding, by which the Yarn Guild would have been informed that an attempt to enforce a boycott on any of their number would immediately lead to a suspension of all further dealings with Japanese merchants until the boycott was removed, and in such case Messrs. Cornes & Co. would have found themselves in a position to resist the pressure of the Guild. But, continues the *Kobe paper*, we fear that trade rivalry and competition among foreign merchants is so keen as to render combination of this sort almost impossible at present, though it seems to us that some such combination must eventually be adopted if the foreign merchant is to effectively protect himself from serious loss. By the compulsory compromise Messrs. Cornes & Co. lost \$2,150 and Mr. Kimmis Riverman \$2,050, and yet by the decision of a court of law it is the latter who is in fault, not the former.

REPARATION.

The following are fair samples of public opinion in Shanghai in respect to the Szzechuan Outrages as expressed in the columns of the *North China Daily News* and the *Shanghai Mercury*. What these journals have to say about the terrible massacre at Kucheng, in Fukhien, can be gauged by their utterances in reference to far less serious outrages on defenceless men, women and children. There can be only one opinion about the manner in which suitable reparation can be obtained and that is, as set forth in a leading article in this journal last night, by dealing with the miscreants just as we have in the past with the savages of New Guinea and other ill-governed states. Our Shanghai contemporaries' remarks are as follows:—

Now, it is an axiom in dealing with inferior races, that yielding when you are justly entitled to have punishment inflicted is not only interpreted as a sign of fear, and is so, but to bring on a retaliation of the offence. An effective punishment of the instigators of the outrages which should, whatever its nature, be of a public kind, and the official re-statement of the individuals whose property was destroyed in buildings slightly better than the former whence they were expelled, would meet the principal requirements of the case. But, unfortunately, no one will take the sensible view of the matter.

